



Toward A New Era Of International

By DR. ERNST REUTER

(Socialist Mayor of Barlin)
The idea of celebrating May Day all over the world as the holiday of work has its origin in the United States. In the celebration of May Day as the holiday of work expression is given to the idea of the fellowship and solidarity of all working and peaceloving people. For decades the idea of celebrating May Day has continued to live and develop beyond all political and national barriers, so that it may be said today that this idea has become the common property

Every year on May Day millions of people all over the world welcome spring, the season of the awakening of nature, as a symbol that the ideas of freedom, peace and fellowship of all people of good will are sure to triumph one day over the powers of dark-

We Berliners have been celebrating May Day for many years by mighty massed demenstrations in which the whole population

for these ideas of freedom, peace and social justice, despite all threats and evil forces. Day by day we Berliners are exposed to threats of violence and suppression; but until now no threat whatever could weaken our will or break our will to stand up unanimously for these aims in the future as well.

We know that our struggle is supported by all free people in the world, and we feel fraternally united with all those to whom May Day means more than just a usual holiday. We shall succeed in winning this struggle only if the free people and the free nations will further assist us morally and

We feel sure our comrades in America share our views and convictions and we, therefore, send them our best greetings.

Let us hope that there will soon be a day when everywhere in the world the powers of darkness and suppression will be defeated and the new era of international peace will

Steps Toward By ADOLF SCHARF

(Adolf Scharf, leader of the Austrian Socialist Paris,

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It is in a world of peace that socialism can best at It is in a world or providing the can best at varice toward peace and democracy. The struggle to the world is vance loward peace of the world is part of the

lition of democratical But since the end of the Second World War, the cold But since the war has raged incessantly over large areas of the world war has raged incessantly over large areas of the world one of the duties of Socialists is to paye the way to one of the duries of the during the same of the during and honorable end to it. Developments since the Second World War have shown that the greatest characters are to be Second world that second when the found when of attaining and present that is, when no power can is itself strong enough to aspire to the domination of the

For this reason wisdom seems to me to demand the Socialists everywhere in the world support a poliwhich aims at the establishment of a balance of street between the great powers of the earth. Steps on the rea to such a policy include, first, the readiness to support not only one's own country, but every democratic country try assailed by a totalitarian system, in its struggle is independence and freedom; and second to bind togeth in a higher economic and political unity those small as middle states, especially in Europe, which could not a a basis of their own strength withstand an attack

Greetings to Socialists on this International Solidarity Day, proposed by the American Union delegates about a century ago.
Since then this day has become the greatest inspiration to colebrate progress everywhere.

The selfish interests of wealth and autografic power with their lackeys and fellow travellers did everything to destroy and discredit the hopes and aspirations of humanity. Socialism is still the greatest power and inspirer of Human Bratherhood. Forward, On ward, Comrados, until we reach the day to establish it and discard war, hunger, greed and, suppression.

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gis democracy toward socialism and through socialism toward a profund and the ability not to lose sight of treedom, of happiness and lost in the forest of contemporary the second World War, we are now sure that this way is not a mere democracy—this is our chosen way. Thanks to the achievements of our British lost democracy that this road is real. The welfare state in Great Britain, though imperiect as it is the biggest blow to totalitarian communism since it came to power on the crest revolutionary upheaval in Russia.

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divided the ranks of the British elements in our country, is truly Labor movement, that has al-ready caused great concern in we now face is the provincializathe rank and file of almost every tion of our whole outlook, a mo European Socialist party.

of the major questions posed rankling in the soul of every conscientious Socialist in the

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less effort on the part of the rulcreated by the war economy to enrich themselves, and to limit

It is the fervent search for such a balance that has already vanguard of all the progressive Duropean Socialist party.

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It is the same issue that is as a result of our organizational ward hair-splitting.

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ost in the forest of contempor-ary developments, to see clearly socialism, has to struggle against

The moral and political values of will be recognized by millions of workers organized in the trade unions, provided the apostles of socialism are unceasing in their efforst to socialism the greener of their course. spread the gospel of their faith. The ship bound toward the

May Day Greetings FRIEDA and JAMES LANCE

any developments, to see cleanly to the way toward our goal, has the stringing elements. But the man never been of such import for the Socialists in the U.S.A. their way and their course, pre-

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Passive Resistance Of Workers Balks Complete Stalinization Of Czechoslovakia workers, suspected of being the of the highest political

(Vilem Bernard is a member of the Executive Committee of the Socialist Union of ringleaders, were put under lock

Central-Eastern Europe, in exile in London.)

Recent developments in Czechoslovakia have shown that it was comparatively easy for the Communists to destroy political democracy, but it proved more difficult to build up an effective totalitarian dictatorship. Their task is all the more complex, since they have to accomplish, in a few years, what it took the Russian Bolsheviks almost two decades to complete.

Sovietization in all fields of national life has proceeded a long way but the attitude of workers and peasants has not yet been lowered to such passivity as exists in the Soviet

The following event took place in Brno on November 21, 1951: The workers of the Lisen branch of the Brno Armament Plant stopped working and marched through the streets; their columns were joined on the way by workers of the other two branches who had learned about the demonstration.

The demonstrators reached the main square of the city where they were joined by more workers from another part of the found courage to raise crowded and, according to modest estimates, at least twenty taneous mass demonstration took

thousand workers were present place is the greatest blow yet
The indignation of the Brno
workers was caused by a decisA worker who escaped from ion of the Czechoslovak government to cancel the usual Christ-

mas bonus for 1951, an allowance much more necessary in present Czechoslovakia, in view of the rising prices on the State free market.

ANOTHER STRIKE

In spite of the evergrowing police terror the Brno workers city. The great square was over- voice against oppression and misery and the fact that a spon-

Czechoslovakia reported about a strike, which took place at the end of July 1951 at the 'Rudy Letov' Aircraft Works in Prague: "There was, toward the end of July 1951, a stoppage of work at the 'Rudy Letov' Aircraft Works in Prague. It was the first shift which refused to start work, and these men were later on joined by the second shift people.

"The reason for the strike was the taking away from the men of their supplementary food ration cards, an action due to the economizing measures of the regime. When the intervention of trade union secretaries proved of no avail, the police were called in; but not even these could make the men start work again. The remarkable feature of this affair was that solidarity with the strikers was shown even by the workers' council, composed in its entirety of members of the Communist Party.

"It was only in the evening of the same day that the factory was visited by two representatives of the presidential chancellery, at whose behest the supplementary ration cards were handed back to the workers.

ATTITUDE OF WORKERS

"The news of this successful strike spread rapidly all over Prague, so that next day the men at the Kolben-Danek Works vanted to emulate the example. However, their attempt did not go far, because twenty-four

Both events are characteristic of what the present attitude of the Czechoslovak worker is. Apart from cases of active resistance, there has been a constant passive resistance against the Soviet-inspired methods of speeding up plant production; the 'shock workers' are considered by the majority of workers as strike breakers.

This can only add to the many obstacles facing the Communist regime; any dispute among the Communist leaders over how to break the popular resistance is

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ance in a time of purge going on within the Communist party. The see behind the Iron Curtain from being stabilized,

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CALL Workers Must Unite To End All Slavery!

(Adam Ciolkosz is editor of the London "Robotnik" and Chairman of the Polish Socialist Party in exile in Great Britain).

Polish socialists were among those who met in Paris on the hundreth anniversary of the fall of the Bastille and resolved to demonstrate on the next first of May to demand an eight-hour day. On the first of May, 1893, faithful to this decision, 8,000 Polish workers leff their factories in Warsaw, which was then under the rule of Tsarist Russia, 4,000 demonstrated in Lvov, then under Austrian rule, and in Biala, a center of the textile industry, Austrian troops fired on the demonstrating mill workers, killing or wounding

Since that time Polish workers have defied their oppressors by celebrating every May Day under the banner of the Polish Socialist Party and for these out buyers of defense the defense of the Polish Socialist Party and for these out buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyers of defense the means of texpression does not buyer of the polish Socialists are not warbursts of defiance they paid with their own blood, particularly under the Tsarist rule, as in Lodz in 1892, in Czestochowa in 1894, and in Warsaw in 1905, the mem-orable year of the Polish socialrevolution against Tsarist

SALUTE BEFORE DEATH

Today, the first of May, 1952, and where a pair of shoes of the workers a month's wages. Poland are decorated with red flags, and processions of workers make their way through the streets along with detachments of soldiers. But the situation has changed completely since those early days.

ing Caesar before they perished was in 1940 shot by a German in the arena. Participation in to-day's celebrations in Poland is thrown into a mass grave which compulsory, and to the workers was then levelled to the ground

die of exhaustion in the murder ous system of "socialist compe-tion of labor," where women are forced to do the heaviest work and where a pair of shoes costs

CP TERROR FOR NAZI

Communist terror has in fact taken the place of the Nazi ter-ror which the German occupation brought to Poland during the late war, and nothing can give a better picture of what has Today the oppressors and per-secutors of the workers stand on our outstanding Socialist leaders

secutors of the workers stand on the rostrums, while the oppressed parade before them, hailing them and inclining the red banners in their honor.

Such a spectacle has not been seen since the gladiators of Rome filed past the Imperial box, saluting Cassay before they preside during the rost of the control of the same seen since the gladiators of Rome filed past the Imperial box, saluting Cassay before they preside during the city was besieged in 1939.

compulsory, and to the workers they represent the negation of all they have fought for since the beginnings of the socialist movement.

They fought for the independence of Poland: and a country is to Poland in 1945 and again in not independent that is ruled by a Russian Marshal appointed by the communists in the Rawicz

freedom of expression does not exist, where a single party rules by means of terror and where the prisons are always full.

They fought for a socialist economy, but there can be no socialism as long as the workers die of expansion in the murder. brought to our country.

Our May Day message is one of solidarity. We welcome our comrades all over the world with the appeal: "Working men of all countries, unite! Unite against slavery and oppression of every kind, be it fascist or communist, be it Franco's or Stalin's. Long live the Socialist International!"

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The urgent mission of socialists everywhere in this cold-war world is a persuade governments and leaders of the free nations to fight the right kind of war, before we are forced to fight the wrong kind.

That means that the free world must lead the fight against poverty, ignorance, reactionary colonialism and racial discrimination. These are the trojan horses within our own camp which will open the gates to communism, for guns alone cannot protect the democratic world.

If foreign colonialism is a thorn in the flesh of Asian and African peoples, poverty and insecurity are common to the world. They are the key factors so far as Europe is concerned, and Europe is a focal point of the cold war between communism and political democracy. The raising of living standards and the rehabilitation of national economies will go far towards achieving the end the free world seeks in Europe and else-

It is one of the unhappy facts of the times that undivided attention cannot be given to these urgent needs, because of the desperate threat of communist advance from within and aggression from without. Thus the military defenses of the North Atlantic Community have to be a shield behind which the work of re-building must be done. But are the requirements of NATO draining off too much of the resources of many of the West European countries?

That socialists are prepared to pay a very high premium on the insurance policy against aggression is not open to question. Socialists have learned through bitter experience that the premiums must be paid. But is our insurance program a well-balanced one? We shouldn't risk a program which provides coverage against theft but not against fire. Is there not a danger that in our concern for adequate military insurance we may be overlooking our economic and social policies?

To secure a balanced insurance program should now be a major concern of socialists on the international front. To permit huge rearmament programs to break the economies of Western Europe is to close one door to Communist advance and to throw another wide open. These considerations are not new to Europeans who live beside the

CUTTING NATO COMMITMENTS

France has already had to cut her commitments to NATO; Holland and Belgium, have serious

years the rearmament program she origin-Italy had a budget ally planned for three years. deficit last year of nearly 200 billion lira. The economic stability of Europe, so painstakingly rebuilt after the war, with the generous aid of the Marshall plan and the magnificent efforts of the European people, is threatened again by the exclusive emphasis on a military program too great for the Europeans alone to bear.

Economic aid has been cut to make way for military aid. And the communitts can be depended upon to exploit to the fullest all of the economic difficulties which may result. A hearty military load, unaccompanied by the economic aid necessary to prevent any serious drop in European living standards, could deliver to the communists the victory they seek without their having to fire a single shot.

The North American continent, with 7% of the world's population and 42% of the world's production, has properly been called the rich suburb of the world community. If other nations are going to be helped to stand on their own feet, the United States and Canada are the chief countries from which that help must come,

NORTH AMERICAN FAILURE

But both the United States and Canada have failed to measure up to this challenge, Canada's failure has been the greater. In the three years from April 3, 1948, when the ECA program was launched, to the end of December, 1951, when it was terminated, the U.S. contributed almost \$12.5 billion dollars to the economic recovery of Europe. During the same period, however, Canada contributed not one cent (though it must be acknowledged that Canada has made available \$50 millions for the Colombo Plan in South East Asia).

Canada's Socialist Party, the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF), has severely criticized the heavy emphasis of the military aspects of NATO to the exclusion of the economic and social aspects, and has roundly condemned the failure of the Canadian government to do its share in implementing Article II of the North Atlantic Treaty. The CCF has recently carried this fight to the House of Commons where it resulted in the most significant foreign policy debate since the end of the war

Europe, of course, is but one part of the problem-if, at the moment, perhaps, the vital part. Events are moving swiftly in Asia and Africa. There is untold misery, poverty and seething discontent. We must be prepared to share some of misgivings about the demands upon their re- the material and spiritual fruits of our liberty, sources; even Britain must try to complete in our democracy and our prosperity, in an all-out

fight against poverty and mis-

A WORLD PLAN

We need a world plan to banish poverty and We need a works hunger from the face of the earth. But what he hunger from the face of the earth. But what he the relatively wealthy North American centres done in the way of economic aid to the red of the democratic world since wartime assistant and Marshall aid ended?

President Truman's Point Four has not proen to be a world-shaking project—as it might has been and Canada's contribution to the Con monwealth Colombo Plan is just a drop in a ocean of need. Canada beasts the second higher standard of living in the world; yet while we can spend \$5 billion over the next three years on the spend so the spend only \$20 million a year in the coming six years on Colombo Plan aid to look coming six years Pakistan, Ceylon and the other countries South-East Asia.

There is another vital factor in the struggle for man's minds which cannot be underestimated particularly so far as Asian and colonial people are concerned. Take a look round the globe at the sores of discontent among subject peoples inde the dominion of the west. Tunisia is now added to the list of colonial countries which are deferm ined not always to be backward and not always to be ruled by foreigners.

COLONIAL STRUGGLES

The struggles in Malaya, Indo China, loud Africa and Tunisia are basically the struggles of native peoples against poverty, subjugation as foreign rule. The smoldering rancer and base ness in many areas have broken into open fass which the communists have been quick to far

Similar tragic results were averted in factor Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon, by one of the great est examples of far-sighted statemanship in his tory, when the British Labor Government qual handed those nations their freedom, thus him ing to a peaceful end a long, unhappy dept of imperialism.

If the Declaration of Human Rights of S United Nations means anything, it means to the most advanced democratic countries should take the lead in ensuring fundamental has rights, economic and social justice within the own borders, and that democrats must sta equally against tyranny, whether it is Russe Spanish or South African.

To defend political liberties, to build a wa in which poverty will disappear, to ered we the four freedoms a world democratic structure in which a new dimension of human co-opens may be achieved; these are, and must coole to be, the aims of socialists.

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- socialists Can Lead The World To Freedom

By MORGAN PHILLIPS (Secretary, The British Labor Party)

In Britain, at the moment of writing, the people are showtheir opinion of Conservatism by sweeping Labor candiing their office in the local government elections.

Against the world background these local elections may Against the world background these local elections may appear unimportant but in sending these fraternal greetings from the British Labor Party I feel I must mention them, for they point a moral. They prove that the influence of the Labor party in Britain is still growing—even after its record vote at the General Election of October 1951.

The Tories may still be the Government of Britain but the are rapidly losing the confidence of the people. Mounting memployment, cuts in the Welfare State and a general drift the cilent verifies for the majority have already earned the silent verdict of the electorate.

May Day this year has for us a double meaning. It proves again the true nature of reaction and the constant need for Socialists everywhere to work and strive even harder towards the goals which they have set themselves.

What are these goals? First, and most important of all, we must prevent a third world war. Second, we must win political and economic justice for the underprivileged peoples of the world. These are the essentials of progress and freedom for all people.

The world strategy of Communism has made our task doubly difficult. But I am convinced that the inarticulate millions now under Soviet domination are yearning for a reurn of freedom—for a sign that all is not lost. Only Social Democracy can give that sign. Capitalism is discredited and outdated. One day Social Democracy will be called upon to ead the oppressed peoples of the world to freedom—and we must be ready for the call.

In the world today the United States has undertaken a rigantic responsibility. In association with the other free nations of the world she is helping to build a bulwark against branny. In particular, the Socialist and progressive forces of he U.S.A. are using all their influence to see that this enormous power is wielded wisely. I wish them well in their work.

The main stream of our efforts must be directed towards mising standards in Asia and Africa. They are the world's ashpoints. We either resolve their problems or go on to eeper schisms culminating eventually in fatal confusions and orld conflagration.

The existence of this great mass of poverty is a constant

Revolutionary May Day Greetings

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menace to peace. The late Ernest Bevin, by supporting the Colombo Plan, showed the awareness of all Socialists to the problem. His was more than a tentative step in the dark. It was no blind hazard to stave off disasters for a few years. It was a direct attempt to bring the peoples concerned together so that they could actively help towards their own material and spiritual well-being.

These great countries are poor in worldly terms. In another sense, however, they are magnificently rich. They are rich in dignity and in the wisdom of age-old civilizations. They have traditions and cultures going back to the dawn of history which still moulds the minds and spirits of their

In going to their aid we must assure them that further exploitation by the West is not to be their lot. Of that they have had enough. At the first sign of its reappearance they would retreat—and rightly so-from taking any part in the plans in which we ask them to co-operate.

This gigantic task is not one which can be left to the capitalists of either the Old World or the New. Their minds are not big enough to begin understanding such a plan. The word "profit" as they know it does not enter into these

The figures on the balance sheet will not be those familiar to accountants. The record will rather be one of mortality rates and better health, more schools and bigger hospitals, better crops and a chance to live decently for countless millions.

In all this we are combating actual and potential Communist aggression. Too many people forget that Communism has more strings to its bow than that of direct aggression.

Its most insidious weapon is the political exploitation of depressed living standards in the areas which it seeks to bring within its orbit. Under the stresses and strains of large-scale rearmament such ideas as those contained in the Colombo Plan might easily be relegated to the background or discarded altogether. This we could never tolerate.

This is the new challenge of May Day. The lead for a better world has come from Democratic Socialists. Their's is the only faith which can provide a convincing alternative to capitalist exploitation on the one hand and totalitarian com-munism on the other. The continued progress of democratic Socialism must be our constant concern and I am glad to be able to report that the British people are, at this moment, showing renewed confidence in the solutions which we propose.

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Greetings On MAY DAY from Local Cleveland and Welcome to the **National Convention**

Calls For Peace, Freedom, And Social Justice

The following statement was issued by the International Confederation of Free Trade

Unions as its May Day Manifesto; WORKERS of all lands

The International Confedera-tion of Free Trade Unions sends you its warmest fraternal greetings and calls upon you to dem-onstrate again this May Day your

"For an unarmed world peace to free all peoples from the heavy burden of armaments and to restore peaceful economic relations between them." That is the gist of the ICFTU peace appeal addressed to the United Nations. It voices a heartfelt longing of all the world's toilers.

Meanwhile, no appeasement of freedom, while, its weekers and better world there can be only one democratic trade union front.

Forward with the ICFTU for BREAD, FOR PEACE and for FREEDOM!

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FREEDOM! longing of all the world's toilers.

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Germany and Austrial We demand the early conclusion of a peace treaty with Germany and lards of the world's disinherited. It will be seen that the seed to be struction of an Austrian state treaty and the freeing of that small country from its intolerable burden.

Let the prisoners-of-war still held by Russia and her satellites task of raising the living standards of the world's disinherited. Millions of Asians, Africans, Latin Americans are clamoring for their social birthright: let us see the treaty and the freeing of the world! These that small country from its intolerable burden.

Let the prisoners-of-war still held by Russia and her satellites under the world's dispether in the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions.

held by Russia and her satellites Unions.
return. The cause of peace will
not be served by endless perpetdemocratic trade unionists can

totalitarian aggressors in Korea and elsewhere. Stand firm by the United Nations. Aggression must not be allowed to pay!

Seven years have passed since the end of World War II. And still no final settlement with Germany and Austrial We detackle forthwith the mammoth mand the early conclusion of a task of raising the living stand-

uation of bitterness and national subscribe. Today there are 53 million workers fighting for their calization behind the banner of the full human and national free-form many more.

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Calling The Shots

The Steel Strike

Through one of those ironies which occur regularly on the American industrial scene, the United Steelworkers have been forced into a strike. Despite the pious protests of government spokesmen that such a strike would shake the nation's stability, and the big steel pretense that only the steel workers' intransigence prevented a settlement, the current strike is one which only the steelworkers seriously tried to avoid. Their failure to do so is a result of two fac tors, one political, one economic.

To big steel, and its little satellites, the strike brings more than an element of satisfaction. The steel industry from the start of negotiations, welcomed the possibility of a strike, primarily because the peak of demand for steel had been reached. Faced with the frightening possibility of a drop in prices, the steel industry saw hope in maintaining current prices for its product through a cutback in production. Given the fact that a contract was scheduled to be negotiated, the steel industry could cheerfully count on its workers to carry the burden of curtailment while a backlog of new orders piled up, at old prices. The strike which the steelworkers hoped to avoid was one which the steel industry hoped to provoke.

Into this struggle, President Truman intervened with a move which did little to clarify the motives of the steel industry. On April 8, in seizing the steel mills, the President presented the steel workers' case in a forceful fashion to a nation-wide audience, and he reinforced this support by a letter which again made it clear why the steel industry could handily pay its workers the increase recommended by the Wage Stabilization Board.

Despite these gestures, it is possible that President Truman, whose capacity to grasp all the factors in any given situation has not been notably masterful, was not interested primarily either in the steelworkers or in forcing the steel industry to accept the terms which the Wage Stabilization Board had suggested. It appears likely that President Truman's purpose in seizing the mills was to win back a somewhat faltering trade union support for the Democratic administration by a bold maneuver with a pro-labor emphasis. An incidental effect, and hardly unwelcome to the Democratic Party, was the fact that corruption, long a standard item on newspaper front pages, seemed to have lost its appeal, while the learned academicians on the nation's press discussed the momentous constitutional issues involved in the seizure.

Indicative of the casual purpose which moved President Truman to seizure was the inept fashion in which the government attorney presented the case for seizure. This paved the way for Federal Judge Pine to declare that the President's move was unconstitutional. It led directly to CIO President Murray's decision to call out 650,000 steelworkers.

The steelworkers were caught in a squeeze, in which political and economic factors exerted almost equal pressure. The steel industry was caught off base temporarily by the seizure, but recovered quickly and succeeded in having the step voided, thereby precipitating a strike. President Truman, in the role in which he fancies himself particularlythe adroit politician confounding his opponents by superguile-used the steelworkers' case simply as a prop.

In recent years, it has become customary for American labor leaders to prepare statements, broadcast over the Voice of America, in which obeisance is made to the fact that the international labor movement on May Day is rededicating itself to the ideals of democracy, peace and socialism. Given a few more situations such as the current one in steel, it may not be too much to hope that the American labor movement will in turn strike out for these aims, as a practical way of showing solidarity with their fellow-workers throughout the world.

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Democracy, Peace, For Freedom

BY DR. GEORGE PETCOFF petcoff is a member Central Committee of the lgarian Social Democratic sarty, now in exile.)

World War I the comsocial and economic contra-ns in capitalist society al in character as the su-form of capitalist concenamalgamating the separforld War I was a typical ex-sion of these contradictions. epercussions put capital-supremacy to the test. That immediately after the war. democracy, are at stake.

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We socialists assume the great
task of realizing social democght fascism in Italy and Na--Socialism in Germany.

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American people.

But the policy of the United States in helping that fight must endangered the ruling geois regimes in the capital-

nat rivalry between two exhevism on the left-reprebutes of freedom, material rity, social justice and hudignity, was the historic form of Totalitarianism. of socialism between the World Wars.

pects. The destruction of enus material wealth resulted

the countries where the so- in Europe. st parties took over the gov-

were made. (England, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, etc.)

But the realization of genuine democracy still meets great obstacles, not only from the right—from the bourgeois parties making a last effort to save their states. of nations has lived making a last effort to save their political and economic supremacy, but also from the left—from Bolshevism. During its 35 year social and economic control positivism. During its 35 year ms in capitalist society reign over Russia, its occupation developed throughout the of satellite countries, and its century, within separate, are now becoming intervism has shown itself as an uncompromising negation of freedom and democracy.

The international situation, as

states into a common world depicted above, clearly explains ome and social conflicts are developing on a world scales we cannot forget that socialism is possible only under normal circumstances of peace, welfare, and full democracy.

International socialism will emacy was deeply shaken in consciece of the broad masses ocracy, and freedom. After all consciece of the broad masses ocracy, and freedom. After all, seple, and took the form of the achievements of a century-old civilization, built on political considerable of the broad masses ocracy, and freedom. After all, the achievements of a century-old civilization, built on political

racy. Our fight will not be very

Under the existing internatioal situation our fight is supporton in Russia, which had ed enormously by the moral and reussions in other countries, material help of the democratic

be directed by a definite program solving the questions put es-fascism on the right and before us. The basic elements of that program are:

ng various forms of totali-nism, endangered the exist-of world democracy. The ervation of the latter with its still exist as a form of government and rule. Elimination of any cause which may restore some

Liberation of all countries under the yoke of Bolshevik or

war brought new Fascist Dictatorship.
Union of all European countries on a political and economic apoverishment of the masses, basis and collaboration between and a low standard of them in order to preserve peace and to raise the general welfare

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"Stakes"

As I See It

For Democratic Socialism

by Norman Thomas

Recent events have given us Socialists impressive arguments to urge on our fellow citizens to establish the enormous value of democratic socialism for the American people. Two of these things I have discussed in a previous column: the action of the House in denying appropriations for slum clearance and housing, and the somewhat conflicting bills passed by the House and Senate, respectively, giving the nation's heritage in underseas oil to the quarreling Gulf states and California, which cannot properly protect or police the wells.

Nevertheless, powerful companies prefer to deal with state rather than the federal government because state governments are more easily manipulated. All this is part of the price the people pay for listening to—and under our tax laws actually subsidizing—high powered anti-socialist propaganda to keep the people in economic bondage.

Another illustration of mischievous propaganda, this time by the AMA, is the success of its lobby in blocking Congresswoman Bolton's bill for federal aid in the business of recruiting and training nurses at a time when we face a shortage of nurses running from 50 to 70 thousand.

The most dramatic and terrible illustration of the price we pay to narrow self-interest and anti-socialist prejudice is to be seen in the sorrowing and devastation in the Missouri and Mississippi Valleys. For the Missouri this is the second flood in less than a year. The damage could have been prevented, and the top soil kept out of the Gulf of Mexico, by a properly organized Missouri Valley Authority, modeled on TVA—except that consumers and workers should be directly represented on it and the rights of labor somewhat better protected than in TVA.

The success of TVA makes it impossible to give a rational explanation for the refusal to set up a Missouri Valley Authority. Instead, we have had a very unsatisfactory compromise of the quarrel between the Reclamation Bureau and the Army Engineers,

known as the Pick-Sloan Plan, without a proper valley authority, and that plan has been implemented in a most haphazard fashion by Congress. Homeless people should know whom and what to blame for their plight.

Then, of course, there is the steel situation. Any industry whose continuous operation so affects public interest, in peace as well as war, a basic industry in which the function of management is divorced from ownership, should be socially owned. That would not avoid all problems connected with wages and prices, but the managers would be working for us and not for the profits of absentee owners.

The board of control should have representives of workers on it and their right to organize and bargain collectively should be respected. This business of the government's taking over railroads and steel is mostly a phony. The President's speech taking over steel was a pretty good statement of the workers' case and a pretty good condemnation of the obduracy of the industry. Nevertheless, his actions in asserting his so-called inherent powers set a very dangerous precedent.

It is unhealthy nonsense to talk of his impeachment or to minimize the reasons which led to his action. That action, however, should pass under proper judicial review, and there should be proper legislation governing the taking over of industry. The right answer is socialization.

For Congress to follow the Senate's example and refuse to appropriate any money for government acts in connection with taking over the steel industry is likely to cause a basic confusion and it is not necessary for a proper clarification of the President's inherent powers. There is no evidence at all that Mr. Truman plans dictatorship beginning with steel or that his cryptic reference to powers to take over press and radio imply new and immediate perils to the American right to speak and to listen.

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